Announcement of research findings

2530. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the research outputs/findings are made known to the public regularly;

(b) if so, the mechanism and periodicity of such publications/ announcements; and

(c) the details of such research outputs so made known during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The research outputs/findings are made known to the public regularly through various publications like Department of Biotechnology, Council of Scientific Industrial Research, Department of Science and Technology news letters, Scientific Engineering Research Council Research highlights and other such news letters/publications etc. and Annual Reports of each Science and Technology Department and Autonomous Scientific Research Institution. The abstracts of research output/publications are also available in these annual reports and news letters. The websites of these S&T agencies/institutions also project the research outputs from time to time.

Research of nanotechnology

2531. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have recently signed an agreement with Canada with a special emphasis on research on nanotechnology;

(b) if so, the details and scope of the agreement;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government have announced launch of a national nanotechnology centre;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and